

RECIPROCITY BILL'S CHAMPION

TAFT PICKS MCALL TO MAKE THE FIGHT FOR IT

First Move Will Be to Get a Rule Regarding All Amendments Talk of Calling an Extra Session if the Bill Is Not Passed at the Present Session.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28. A bill embodying the terms of the Administration's reciprocity agreement with Canada was introduced in the House to-day by Representative Samuel McCall of Massachusetts. The bill was presented by Mr. McCall at the request of the White House, and the fact that he was selected to render this service instead of Sen. E. C. Tamm, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee and one of the authors of the Payne-Aldrich law, caused considerable comment. Leaders in the House declared, however, that there is no particular significance to this circumstance. They say that Representative Payne was not at the House to-day and that he probably would have been invited to introduce the bill if he had been on hand.

Representative Payne has not publicly declared his intentions in regard to the proposed legislation, but it is expected that he will be found with most of the other Republican House leaders standing behind the agreement. It is doubtful, though, if it will be a service of love with him or with any of the other standard leaders of the House.

The introduction of the measure by Representative McCall means that he will take a leading part in advocating the bill on the floor of the House. He is a strong advocate of reciprocity; was one of the first of the New Englanders to announce his support of the agreement. Representative McCall is a member of the Ways and Means Committee.

The bill was referred immediately to that committee and will be taken up on Monday or Tuesday. The committee already has received several requests for hearings and these will be granted. It is the hope of Administration leaders that the proposed legislation will be reported out by the committee by the end of next week, but this will be of course impossible if any extensive hearings are held. It will be the contention of Administration supporters on the Ways and Means Committee that complete information was gathered by the United States negotiators and that prolonged hearings on the part of the committee will be unnecessary. The data collected by the negotiators will be turned over to the Ways and Means Committee.

President Taft's supporters on this subject in the House have not yet formulated a plan for the bill when it leaves the committee. There is talk of the Rules Committee being asked to report a special rule barring amendments to the reciprocity bill. One of the purposes of this would be to hasten the passage of the bill.

The opponents of the reciprocity agreement in the House are already focusing their efforts in an attempt to prevent the adoption of such a rule. Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, who tells from the Gloucester district, where they are half masting flags in sorrow for the sacred cod, was busy to-day circulating a petition designed to insure the report of the bill to the House subject to amendments. Of course such procedure would mean the quick death of the reciprocity plan.

It would be loaded with amendments in a bill eliminating fish, grain, cattle and all other foodstuffs that are included in the free list. It is doubtful if the reciprocity plan could be carried through by a single amendment to the present agreement. Any change would require the consent of the Canadian negotiators before it could become operative and would lead to endless confusion with the possibility of reopening the entire negotiations. The Taft Administration will exert every effort to prevent any change in the bill as it was presented to-day.

Congress is still in a ferment over the terms of the agreement, sitting tight, waiting to hear from "back home." Sentiment in favor of the agreement seems, however, to be increasing and Administration leaders are fairly confident now that the bill will pass the House. In the Senate the outlook is still dark. The Administration leaders are awaiting with interest the declaration of Senator Cummings, the insurgent leader, and other Senate progressives. Cummings, who has been advocating a downward revision of the tariff for more than a year, has declared thus far to comment upon the agreement. He says that he is studying it and will make a detailed statement of his attitude when he digests it completely.

It is apparent that the Administration has Senator Cummings and other insurgents who have been raising their voices in favor of downward revision in an embarrassing corner. It looks as if several of them intend to avail themselves of the opportunity to feel out the sentiment in their home States before commencing their campaign.

Administration leaders acknowledged today that the talk of an extra session of Congress in the event of the agreement being to pass before March 4 is not entirely groundless. Some of these leaders have the idea that the President is considering this contingency, but that the probability of his putting this plan into execution is very remote.

They say that the President would take such action unless he was absolutely certain that the agreement would be passed by an extra session. It is probably also would want some assurance from the leaders of the Democratic House that they would not take any revision of the tariff at the same time. Congress leaders declare that the President does not want an extra session unless he will get what he wants before considering it seriously.

REPUBLICAN DEMOCRATS DO IT

Congressman Fordney Wants Opponents to Back Credit for Canadian "Free Trade"

WASHINGTON, Mich., Jan. 28. "If we are to have a free trade with Canada let the Democrats force it upon us," said Congressman J. W. Fordney to-day when he was in opposition of the Taft Canadian reciprocity agreement. Although the

HONDURAS REBELS WINNING

PUERTO CORTES ATTACKED AND DAVILA'S MEN IN PANIC

Government Forces in Disorder and Davila Reported as Prepared for Flight. Has Made His Financial Preparations The End Thought Near.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28. The attack on Puerto Cortes has begun. Early this morning the schooner Romera with a hundred revolutionists on board sailed from this city for Utiila, the southernmost of the islands of the bay, now occupied by the Bonilla forces.

It is the beginning of the end, say the insurgents here. With the capture of Puerto Cortes the activity of the revolutionists redoubled and their hands were strengthened by the capture of two gatling guns, a machine gun and a large quantity of ammunition for them.

While they do not expect much resistance at Puerto Cortes, the insurgent leaders are making every preparation in their power to offset any possible miscarriage of plans. Troops have been ordered forward from Nueva America and to-morrow morning three schooners and two sloops will be despatched after the Romera with troops and supplies for the expedition. Once at Utiila the flotilla will take on as many more troops from Nueva America and other points as possible and carry the entire force within striking distance of Puerto Cortes.

The gunboat Marietta is now on her way to the threatened port and is expected there in the morning. The British cruiser Brilliant will reach the port later in the day. The warships will permit no fighting in the town.

With the fall of Yoro and this city the Davila adherents even here are becoming alarmed by the progress and success of the insurgents under the command of Bonilla and Lee Christmas. Stanch Davila men are admitting that the outlook for their cause is darker with the passing of each day, and the victories of the rebels have been so many signals to the troops of the almost mutinous Federal army to desert in large numbers.

The Davila Government is honeycombed with disaffection and treason. To such an extent has this gone that it has been reported that officers high in the councils of the President of the Republic have made overtures to the triumphant faction. According to a statement made to-day Davila himself is feeling the pinch and has been issuing frantic calls to all available troops throughout the republic to hurry to Tegucigalpa to protect the capital.

The west coast, where the insurrection has made little headway, has been stripped bare of troops, and the mountain passes leading from the seacoast to the capital have been fortified as much as possible and heavy guards have been placed there. Following the example set by his old rival, it is said that Davila has opened an account with a bank in Paris and has continually on his person drafts on New York and other centers to meet all possible expenses of a hurried flight.

The insurgents became aware of these plans on the part of the President when they captured a little gasoline launch at Limon, a small town near the mouth of the Rio Limon. It was found to have been fully equipped with supplies and was ready to start for Puerto Cortes at a moment's notice. Under pressure the mozo in charge admitted that he had orders to wait arrival of the President and such members of his personal military and civil staff as might accompany him. This is not taken here to mean that the fighting is over. Indeed Davila's reputation as a man who fights to the last ditch is well known and it is thought that not until the capital falls and Bonilla has captured Puerto Cortes and the Custom House there can there be any immediate hope of peace.

The insurgents on their part to-day began massing their troops into two armies. Lee Christmas, in command here, has been forwarding men and supplies to the force that yesterday captured Yoro. At the same time it crept out that Bonilla himself with a number of his personal following will go to Yoro and make the campaign for his capital.

Gen. Christmas to-day received word of the capture of the little town of Salado and Juan Lopez, a few miles northwest of Ceiba, by a small force of insurgents under Major Gonzales. Another detachment, several hundred strong, it was reported, is about to attack La Union, to the south and west of Yoro. Should La Union fall into the hands of the Bonilla faction the first step in hemming in Tegucigalpa will have been accomplished and all that will remain for Christmas and Bonilla to do to clean up the east coast will be to force Puerto Cortes to surrender.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE EXTENDED

The Cantilever Section Will Be Open Today at Noon

The section of the Riverside Drive extension between 145th and 158th streets has been completed and will be opened to the public to-day at noon. There will be no ceremony to mark the completion of what is one of the most important sections of the work, which has been six years building, under the direction of George Stuart Williamson as chief engineer. It includes the steel cantilever structure, which carries the driveway over the New York Central tracks between 153d and 155th streets. The construction work was done by J. C. Rodgers.

The total width of the roadway from curb to curb is sixty feet, except where it is divided by six foot parking in two roadways of equal width. A twenty-two foot bridge plate is built adjacent to the main roadway, from which it is separated by parking, and does not always parallel the main road. The cantilever cost \$250,000. It is 100 feet long and fifty feet wide. The handsome masonry supporting it is one of the engineering novelties of the drive.

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RICH MEN GO TO PRISON

Southern Lumbermen Convicted of Peonage Begin Their Terms

ATLANTA, Jan. 28. Five wealthy Southern lumbermen left Atlanta's leading hotel to-day in a touring car for the United States penitentiary, where they began to serve sentences for peonage.

They are W. S. Harlan, Robert Gallagher, Dr. W. E. Grace, C. C. Hilton and E. S. Huggins of Lockhart, Ala. Harlan and Gallagher will each serve eighteen months and pay fines of \$5,000. The three others will serve thirteen months and pay \$1,000 each.

W. S. Harlan is a nephew of Justice Harlan of the United States Supreme Court.

Their entrance into the prison is the last chapter of a famous case fought through all the courts. Their cases were the first to originate in the South. The case was twice taken before President Taft in the hope that he would grant clemency, but he refused to interfere.

The men were convicted in the United States Court at Pensacola, Fla. When the lumbermen realized they would have to go to prison they asked United States Marshal McGowan of Pensacola to allow them to escape unattended to Atlanta to escape the humiliation of being taken from the city by officers. They agreed to meet the officer at the Piedmont Hotel to-day and accompany him to the penitentiary.

Marshal McGowan and the five came to Atlanta yesterday and stopped at the Piedmont. Last night they gave a farewell banquet to some Atlanta friends. This morning Marshal McGowan called at the Piedmont in a car and found the men ready to accompany him to prison.

W. A. CLARK MAY SEEK SENATE

Montana Democrat Said to Be About Ready to Announce Himself

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 28. W. A. Clark is said to be once more on the point of announcing himself a candidate for United States Senator from Montana. His grand entry into Helena with his board of managers was scheduled for to-morrow, but it now appears that the time is not quite ripe for springing the coup and the launching of the Clark boom may be delayed for a week or two longer.

There is no certainty that the Clark boom will be opened, but past experience with his Senatorial aspirations has incited the fervid hope in the breasts of the "Gray Wolves."

Clark's managers have been in Helena or its immediate vicinity for a week or ten days. His lines are being drawn closer around the Capitol every day. He has State Senator John M. Conrow and Representative J. L. Doherty ready to pull the wires when the moment arrives.

Meanwhile the managers of Senator Carter view the deadlock with complacency and even the impending advent of W. A. Clark into the field apparently does not disconcert them. They are hoping to catch the Democrats napping some day, and if that time ever comes the senior Senator from Montana will be elected so quickly that the Legislature will not know what happened until it is all over. Carter's managers include men who have long been identified with the company.

RINGER AT REGENTS' EXAM.

Haven't Got Him Yet, but Two Candidates Are Under Arrest

Two men whose names were on papers submitted in the Regents' examination held last week at the Grand Central Palace were arrested yesterday because the answers, mistakes and handwriting on the papers submitted with their names appeared to be exactly the same. H. A. Barth of 43 Third street was entered in the examination of the Regents, who passed would allow him to study for a profession. Vincenzo Capello of 346 East Thirtieth street wanted to become a pharmacist and was entered in the examination of Wednesday.

The papers bearing their names both happened to go for marking to Assistant Chief Harry DeGroot. He noticed that both were the same in answers, translations, mistakes and penmanship. He looked up Capello, who is a drug clerk with a poor knowledge of English. He asked him to write a few words. Capello spelled "above" and "written" "obof" and "riten". DeGroot got a sample of Barth's handwriting and found, he says, that it was not the same as that on the examination papers. Then he says he got a confession from Capello that he had hired a man to take the examination for him for \$10. Capello was arrested yesterday, and on the presumption that the same ringer had taken Barth's examination Barth was arrested. In the Tombs police court Magistrate Barlow held both young men in \$1,000 bail for later examination in the police court.

LOCKED IN GARFIELD'S TOMB

Couple of Nightseers Overlooked by Guard and Imprisoned for Three Hours

CLEVELAND, Jan. 28. A man and a woman who refused to give their names were imprisoned in the tomb of James A. Garfield from 5 o'clock this afternoon until 8 o'clock to-night. When rescued the young woman was so hysterical from fright that she needed the aid of a physician.

The two went to the tomb this afternoon on a sightseeing trip. They were in the tower when the caretaker, thinking that every one was out, closed and locked the doors and left. The sightseers a little later attempted to leave the monument, but found the doors locked.

The girl screamed and fainted and was carried into the tower by her companion away from the crypt in which the body of the dead President rests. He then led some handkerchiefs, a scarf and a veil together and went to one of the windows in the tower facing Mayfield road, where he waved them. There being no response he tied the signal to the window frame and left it dangling there.

About 8 o'clock C. A. Grasselli, president of the Grasselli Chemical Company, was passing on Mayfield road in his automobile when he noticed the blur of white against the black background of the monument and drove in to investigate. Upon learning the predicament of the couple he went to the office of Lakeview Cemetery, learned where the keeper lived and took him to the monument in his automobile.

MONTANA APPROVES INCOME TAX AMENDMENT

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HOPE DIAMOND SOLD AGAIN

EDWARD McLEAN PURCHASES IT FOR \$300,000

Intended as a Present to Mrs. McLean. It Previously Belonged to Abdul Hamid, Once Owned by Lord Francis Hope, Who Married May Yohé.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28. The famous Hope diamond, which weighs 128 carats and has a unique history, has just been purchased by Edward McLean of this city for \$300,000. The diamond is intended as a present to Mrs. McLean, formerly Miss Evelyn Walsh, daughter of the late Thomas F. Walsh, who had seen the diamond and admired it.

The diamond is known also under the cognomen of the "Hard Luck diamond." It was purchased by Mr. McLean from Cartier in Paris, but previously it belonged to Sultan Abdul Hamid. An unfortunate "King of France" was one of the first owners of the jewel. Later it was owned by Lord Francis Hope, who married May Yohé, an actress, who later Lord Hope and the diamond to elope with Putnam Bradlee Strong, son of an ex-Mayor of New York.

The Hope is a sapphire blue diamond 128 carats in weight. All the lists of famous diamonds include the Hope, which has been known in its present condition since 1850. Tavernier, the famous jeweller, brought it to France from India in 1665. In 1792 the diamond was stolen along with other jewels of the French crown and was never found. What is now known as the Hope was purchased by Henry Thomas Hope, an English banker, for about \$60,000. Two other stones of the same color and general description later turned up and it is thought that the three were in reality the stone that Tavernier brought his King, since their weights added together would equal the weight of the missing sapphire.

From the hands of Henry Thomas Hope the diamond, which has since been called an unlucky stone, passed to those of his grandson, Lord Francis Hope, who married May Yohé, a vaudeville singer. Financial and marital difficulties came that have been blamed upon the possession of the stone, and Joseph Frankel's Sons of Philadelphia next bought it. This firm got into difficulties in 1908 when the Hope was said to be worth a quarter of a million, but the stone in spite of its value was blamed for the loss.

After it left the Frankels there were many stories connected with the diamond, one that it had been put up for sale at the Habib auction of diamonds and was bought by a French dealer named Roussan, who resold it to an American.

Then again there came word from abroad that the Hope diamond was stolen from the palace of the Sultan of Turkey as a part of the plunder when the Young Turks forced Abdul Hamid to flee and that it was lost at sea with its latest owner.

The last heard from the diamond was on March 20, 1910, when the despatches said that it was in the possession of an American who did not wish to make his name known.

FIRE GONG BREAKS EXAMS

Columbia Prefectors Hegan to Grab Papers Offers to Rescue Girls

A small fire in a pile of boards in West 172d street yesterday afternoon nearly broke up the Columbia midyear examinations, which were being held in the university gymnasium only a block away. About 500 students were taking examinations when the first engine came dashing down the Amsterdam avenue hill past the university buildings. All the examinations in the gymnasium were started and ended by the ringing of a big bell exactly like those on the fire engines. It hangs from the gallery and is operated by Prof. William Addison Hervey, director of the examinations.

At the first clang of the engine bell several of the prefects, who are paid by the day and are always anxious for the examinations to end, rushed down the aisles collecting the papers in spite of the protests of the students, who vainly insisted that time would not be up for another hour. One abstracted student who is a member of the volunteer fire department in Peapack, N. J., jumped from his seat and was half way through the door when Prof. Hervey caught him by the coat tails.

Just as the students were beginning to settle down to their papers again a rumor spread through the room that Whittier Hall, the dormitory where the teachers college girls are housed, was burning up. Prof. Hervey was immediately surrounded by a mob of students clamoring for permission to rush to the aid of the young ladies across the street.

WRECKED BY JOY RIDERS. Costly Auto Abandoned and Burned on Yonkers Road.

YONKERS, Jan. 28. An automobile that had been abandoned in Midland avenue about a mile north of the line between Yonkers and The Bronx caught fire and burned this afternoon. The occupants of the car fled before the police arrived.

The machine had been run upon an embankment and the police officers think it caught fire from the smashing of the gasoline tank. When the police got to the scene there was left only a tangled mass of metal parts. Out of the mass they fished a plate bearing the license number 1554 N. Y.

A little later word came here from the Manhattan police that a 30 horse-power limousine belonging to Harry E. Taylor, an automobile dealer of 202 West Eighty-eighth street, Manhattan, had been stolen between 11 and 2 o'clock to-day from in front of his place of business at 229 West Fifty-seventh street. The number was reported as 1554 N. Y.

Taylor came here to-night and identified the run as those of a \$7,500 car. He has no idea who stole the machine after he drove up to his business place and left it standing by the curb.

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300 QUAKES FROM TAAL

Activity of the Philippines Volcano Is Still Unrestrained

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. MANILA, Jan. 28. A rumor that the eruption of the volcano of Taal had destroyed a church and five houses is not confirmed. It is possible though that buildings have been slightly damaged.

More than two hundred and ten diminishing earth shocks have been registered since the beginning of the eruption. The volcano is still smoking vigorously.

The Governor-General with a party of New York and Boston visitors spent last Sunday in exploring the crater, which was then inactive.

The Government despatched scientific observers to the scene to-day.

ROUND THE WORLD BY MUSIC

Jack London's Friend Hopes to Prove That She Needs Only a Start

Mrs. Hilda Gilbert, a friend of Jack London and his wife, sailed yesterday by the Atlantic Transport with a mandolin and a guitar on a wager with the Londoners that she would play her way around the world. She starts merely with her tickets to London and thence to Gibraltar. From the money she expects to get from her first concert at Gibraltar she expects to get to Tangier, where she will twang the melodious strings again and also sing. Her next concert will be in Egypt and thence she will by easy musical stages float to South Africa. Finally after taking in most of the world that appreciates music she will depart from Japan for the Philippines and the Sandwich Islands and bring up in San Francisco and receive the congratulations and the wages, she hopes, put up by Mr. and Mrs. London.

FRANCIS G. GORHAM KILLED

Retired Broker Struck by Horse's Hoof as He Fell on Third Avenue

Francis G. Gorham, a retired broker who lived with his wife at 132 East Thirty-sixth street, was killed by a horse on Third avenue near Thirty-sixth street at 6:45 o'clock last night.

Mr. Gorham had gone over to Third avenue to buy a late afternoon paper and was returning home when he fell in the street directly under the foot of a horse pulling a delivery wagon. One of the animal's hoofs struck Mr. Gorham on the head. He died in an ambulance on the way to Bellevue Hospital.

Mr. Gorham was born near Boston, Mass. Most of his business career was in Wall Street. He was a member of the Union League Club. He leaves a widow.

WALKING TWO BULLETS IN HIM

Says He Is Louis Tashman and Won't Tell Who Shot Him

A man who said that he was Louis Tashman of 290 Second street walked in Governor Hospital last night and asked the doctors to dress two bullet wounds. The man had been shot in the left breast and the left side, but neither of the wounds was serious.

At Police Headquarters one of the detectives thought that the man's face was familiar and when the rogues' gallery was searched it was found that the photograph of Max Cohen resembled Tashman.

Tashman said that he was walking in Rivington street near Forsyth when he was shot, but refused to tell the police who had shot him.

YOUTHFUL BLACK HANDER

Came to Italian Banker Who Had Been Shot at and Was Caught

Gaetano Laloggin has been receiving Black Hand letters in his bank at 281 East 155th street, the last one being the worst of all. A young man threw a stone through his window last Wednesday night and when the banker chased him he shot at him until Laloggin gave up the pursuit.

Last night a young man came to his house, saying, "Have you got what we asked for?" The banker told him to wait a minute and when he turned away two detectives came to catch him. He ran, but was caught half a block away. He said he was Frank Demos of 160 Mulberry street. He is 19 years old and looks less.

MOTHER PAYS FOR NECKLACE

Claude Casimir-Perier Gets Out of Trouble Through Parent's Intervention

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PARIS, Jan. 28.—The difficulty in which Claude Casimir-Perier, son of the late President of France, found himself by hypotheating a pearl necklace which he purchased from M. Janesch without the formality of paying for it has been solved. His mother paying Janesch \$30,000. The necklace has been sold to Mme. Perez of Buenos Ayres for \$24,000. The expert official valuation was \$22,000. Janesch withdrew his complaint against Casimir-Perier to-day, but says he reserves the right to proceed against him for defamation of character because of things said during the affair.

PETER THE PAINTER TRACED?

French Police Said to Be on Track of Houndsditch Anarchist

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. MARSEILLES, Jan. 28.—The police here are said to have traced the Anarchist Peter the Painter, who disappeared after the shooting of policemen in Houndsditch, London, and who at first was thought to have been one of the two men who perished in the "battle of Sidney street." He has probably fled to Italy.

Wellesley Girls Voting on Voting.

WELLESLEY, Mass., Jan. 28.—A straw vote is being taken among the girls of Wellesley College under direction of the Wellesley College Equal Suffrage League to discover how they feel about voting. Several hundred students have already cast their votes.

As many of the undergraduates have expressed desire to study the question further before voting the league has got a collection of books on the subject selected by President Thomas of Bryn Mawr College.

MARDI GRAS, NEW ORLEANS. 8:15 P. M. Round Trip.

Tickets on sale Feb. 20 to Feb. 26. Southern Ry. N. Y. Office, 264 Fifth av., cor. 20th st.—Ad.